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## RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Mail Stop: AF Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

In reply to the Final Office Action issued September 9, 2005 (herein, "Office Action"), the following Amendments and Remarks are provided:

Amendments to the Specification beginning on page 2.

Remarks beginning on page 7.

Applicants respectfully request that the amendments which follow be entered.

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## CONCLUSION

Applicants believe that this Reply addresses all issues and that the Application is currently in a condition for allowance. Should the Examiner believe that a conference would be helpful in advancing the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone Applicants' attorney at the number below.

Applicants hereby request a two-month extension to respond to the September 9, 2005 Office action, and authorize the Commissioner to charge the fee for this extension to Deposit Account No. 02-2334. Applicants believe that no additional fee is due in connection with this filing. If, however, Applicants do owe any such fee(s), the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee(s) to Deposit Account No. 02-2334. In addition, if there is ever any other fee deficiency or overpayment under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 or 1.17 in connection with this patent application, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such deficiency or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2334.

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